

Queer Doings

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In a little paper in a small town in Kansas some 30 years ago the following essay on the razorback hog was printed, coming to the writer's notice by way of a friend's scrap-book. Since the razorback used to be most familiar to us, we thought readers might enjoy this old, but interesting disquisition on the subject.

The razorback is a breed of hogs raised in the south before the war and is to be found in some localities. It is built on the Swiss cottage style of architecture. His ears lay back with a devil-may-care air. His tail has no curl but hangs limp as a dish rag. The highest point of his corrugated back is inches above the root of his tail. He ignores the slow stately walk of the Barkshire, and goes in a lively 2:10 trot. He always travels as if he were trying to catch a train which had just whistled for the station and he had a quarter of a mile to go. The thoroughbred razorback prowls around in the woods, living on acorns, nuts and roots, and, if necessary, can climb a tree like a monkey. Occasionally he crowds under a corn and assists in harvesting his crops. He will turn in among his neighbors, often working night rather than see the corn for want of attention. He knows the luxury of a corn and wouldn't get fat if he could only sit to kill on the day. Crossing the razorback with blue-blood stock makes a good ment. The only success in crossing him with a locomotive is 30 miles an hour. He is an important thoroughbred railroad pays for him at 50 cents a pound. The razorback is almost as hard as an iron fire quite as good eating bark. A man who is a razorback says a razorback is only a bird of prey in its habit. It eats its hinges without r

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HIT PRESENT SYSTEM

Declare 'Dual and Conflicting Authorities' Unfair to Indian Wards

TAHLEQUAH, Dec. 6.—Declaring that the "proposed remedial legislation in the congress of the United States is a national recognition of error in the administration of probate and guardianship matters in eastern Oklahoma as practiced at the present time, particularly among the Five Civilized Tribes," the supreme council of the Nighthawk contingent of the Cherokee Indians, which has been in session here for two days, late Friday unanimously adopted resolutions urging the federal government to take over the administration of Indian probate and guardianship matters from the state courts and place it in the power of the secretary of the interior.

The Keetoowah society, representing more than seven thousand of the fullblood Cherokee Indians, was organized in 1858 and incorporated about nineteen years ago.

The resolution further declared that "under the present system of dual and conflicting authorities in the administration of probate and guardianship matters it is impossible to accomplish uniform and just administration."

Immediately after the resolution had been adopted by the council which met here on the grounds established by the late chief, Red Bird Smith, who died several years ago, a messenger was dispatched on horseback to Gore, Okla., the nearest railway station, to post a copy of the resolution to the commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington which probably will be presented to the investigation committee which reconvenes at Washington next Tuesday.

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